MARKET ANALYSIS LAW

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- (1) As used in this section, "market analysis" means the process of collecting and analyzing data and information obtained from in the insurance industry and other sources in order to develop a baseline understanding of the insurance marketplace and to identify patterns or practices of insurers that deviate significantly from the norm or that may pose a potential risk to the insurance consumer.
- (2) As used in this section, "insurer" means a person engaged in the business of making contracts of insurance and includes health maintenance organizations as defined in RCW § 48.46.020 and health care service contractors as defined in RCW § 48.44.010.
- (3) To facilitate market analysis, insurers shall provide data, records and information upon the reasonable request of the commissioner. All data, records or other information provided by an insurer to the commissioner for purposes of market analysis, and the commissioner's analysis and findings, are confidential by law and privileged, are not subject to public disclosure or inspection under chapter 42.56 RCW, and are not subject to subpoena directed to the commissioner or any person who received documents, materials or other information while acting under the authority of the commissioner.